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Sir:

In response to the Office action dated March 26, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Below are Applicant's amendments in clean form, without markings to indicate the changes that have been made:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please delete the paragraph bridging pages 3 and 4 and replace it with the following new paragraph:

To achieve the above-explained object, according to the invention, there is provided a CATV conditional access system comprising a digital head end for transmitting picture signals of digital programs in a batch mode to terminals provided in a plurality of areas, wherein the digital head end transmits both an area code for every area and program data to the terminals

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